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MIDLANTIC SELLS PA BANK

EDISON—Midlantic Corporation and Mellon Bank Corporation jointly have agreed to the essential terms of a transaction for Mellon Bank to purchase Union Penn Bank, Midlantic's \$1.4 billion subsidiary based in Williamsport, PA. Midlantic Corporation is a \$21.5 billion bank holding company headquartered in Edison, NJ. Mellon Bank Corporation is \$2.7 billion, headquartered in Pittsburgh, PA.

KAUFMAN CARPETS FILES CHAPTER 7

ELIZABETH—Kaufman Carpets have filed for Chapter 7, bankruptcy. Any customer with a claim against the company should file with the Bankruptcy Court at One Bowling Green, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10004. Case number 90-13401. Claimant must then send back the original form, with a copy, and a self-addressed stamped envelope including the case number.

TEETHING WHEEL RECALL

NEWARK—Santucci Toys, Inc. of San Francisco, Ca, is voluntarily recalling approximately 1,200 "Teething Wheel" teethingers, model number SL685. When the Consumer Product Safety Commission issued the Teething Wheel in accordance with regulations under the Federal Hazardous Substance Act, the donut-shaped pieces positioned inside the wheel separated in half, creating small parts that pose a potential choking hazard for young children.

From the mind of Minolta to the minds of tomorrow

Newark Boys' and Girls' Club members meet Mr. Kusamoto

by Stacey Peterson

RAMSEY — A couple of weeks ago, executives at Minolta Corporation thought it would be a good idea to show some budding photographers around their Ram-

sey headquarters and Blairvelt, NY facility. They provided a tour of the buildings, lunch with the president, a meeting in his office, and a chance to take photos in a genuine photo studio.

These twelve students are not recent photography school gradu-

ates; instead, they are 12- to 15-year-olds from the Newark Boys' and Girls' Clubs, many of whom have never picked up a camera before this past summer.

They are part of a pilot program for young photographers in order to facilitate the medium as a hobby and potential career for inner-city youths. Minolta is serving as sponsor with a \$25,000 grant and a donation of 35mm cameras, instructors, film strips, and other equipment.

The students have been learning about the history of photography, what to look for in a subject when taking pictures, developing them, and other facets of the art.

As the youths began their tour, which started with a visit

with Minolta President, Sam Kusamoto, they continually snapped pictures with manual cameras valued at about \$250 a piece, of some of the artwork on the walls that they found interesting.

Kusamoto welcomed the students, their instructor Hilton Braithwaite, and club executives including Barbara Wright Bell, executive officer of the Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Newark.

The Minolta president sees this not only as a learning experience for the children but as an opportunity to encourage positive relations between the Japanese and African Americans, enabling each ethnic group to learn about the other.

Students were able to see sev-

eral aspects of Minolta's business from camera repairs, to the latest in facsimile and copy machines, to the shooting of an instructional video cassette complete with actor, director, television studio, and audio room.

They even got to see a display of cameras from the old to the new, chronicling the history of Minolta.

Several of the youths explained that they learned a lot from their summer of photography and will probably pursue it as a hobby if not a future career. They said that the small machine with all its gadgets and buttons looked a bit complicated at first but is now second nature.

"It looked like too much in

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Art Colletta, (standing right) head of Minolta's service division, leads students from the Newark Boys' and Girls' Clubs on a tour of his department, while an employee (seated) examines a camera needing repairs.

Con. Payne and Black Caucus spouses announce scholarships

NEWARK — Congressman Donald M. Payne, a member of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC), announced the availability of scholarship awards for the full-time undergraduate students who are residents of New Jersey's 10th Congressional District.

The scholarships are provided by spouses of CBC members.

Through fundraising efforts, the CBC spouses have, over the past four years, provided more than 200 students throughout the country with \$600,000 in tuition assistance.

Congressman Payne is urging students living in East Orange, Hillside, Irvington, Newark, and Orange to apply to the 10th Dis-

trict Selection Committee for these \$1,000 scholarships.

"In these days of shrinking resources, it is important for us to look to all segments of our community for support," Payne said.

He added, "Groups like the Caucus Spouses through their scholarship program help provide those few extra dollars that do indeed make the difference in the lives of some of our young people as they pursue a higher education."

Students enrolled in a full-time undergraduate program for academic year 1991-1992 and who have maintained a "B" average minimum academic standard are eligible to apply. The deadline

for submitting applications is September 6, and the Selection Committee will notify winners by September 30.

Application packages can be obtained at Congressman Payne's office located at 970 Broad Street, Room 1435B, Newark, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or the Irvington Board of Education located at 1150 Springfield Avenue, Irvington. For further information, please call (201) 645-3213.

Plainfield city administration fumbles league's paperwork

by Denise M. Gernain

PLAINFIELD — During last week's City Council agenda fixing session, two officials from the Plainfield Junior Football League appeared before the council with their lawyer to acquire information as to why the administration had not given them status of their application to use the city fields for the start of their season which begins on September 6.

The Junior League has been in operation for 10 years, and has submitted an application annually to request use of the city's fields for the upcoming season. This year was no different; the request was sent to the Department of Recreation in early June. Since that submission to Division Head John Pepe, the league was told that a meeting was scheduled for July 18 to discuss the situation further. After that date the league still had not received any correspondence indicating the status.

City Administrator, Jewel Thompson-Chin stated that the delay was due to a revision of op-

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James accepts milk for the children



Newark Mayor Sharpe James recently accepted over 30,000 containers of aseptic packaged milk donated to the City to be distributed to children at city-funded day care centers and homeless shelters. The milk donated by the Aseptic Packaging Council (APC), an organization representing America's drink box manufacturers—Tetra Pak Inc., is unique in that it requires no refrigeration. The gift was presented by APC president, Marshall Cohen and Tetra Pak, Inc. Communication Manager, Virginia Harger.

East Orange police chief receives NBPA award

EAST ORANGE — East Orange Police Chief Harry E. Harman recently received the Law Enforcement Award from the National Black Police Association (NBPA) at their national convention in Newark.

Chief Harman, a member of the East Orange force since 1973, received the award for achievement by a Chief of Police, which brings public acclaim to the Department and the police profession through programs to further police efficiency, and his contributions to the welfare and advancement of the profession. The award was presented to Chief Harman by East Orange Mayor Cardell Cooper.

Chief Harman joined the East



East Orange Mayor Cardell Cooper (left) presents Police Chief Harry E. Harman with the NBPA Law Enforcement Award.

Photo by Gary Frenson

Jersey Oaks battle in '91



PLAINFIELD — New Jersey's semi-professional football team, the Jersey Oaks, have geared up for another season of area competition in the Continental Interstate Football League.

About 50 players, including several from Plainfield, make up the team's roster after 75 were invited to try-out in June.

Home games take place

throughout the fall on Saturday nights beginning at 7:30, at Seidler Field on Garwood Avenue in Plainfield.

The Oaks' next game is on September 7 at home against the Frederick Falcons of Maryland. Admission is \$5 with 20 percent off if this issue of City News is presented at the gate.

CITY PEOPLE

Senate confirms
Joyce Tucker to
EEO Commission

by Chester A. Higgins, Sr.

WASHINGTON, DC (ONPA) — The United States Senate this month unanimously confirmed U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commissioner Joyce E. Tucker to the Commission.

The black, 42-year-old Chicago lawyer joined the Commission in 1990 to fill a vacancy created when then EEOC Chairman Clarence Thomas, who was in his second term, was nominated to the U.S. District Court in Washington, DC. President Bush in July selected Thomas for nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court.

A native of the Windy City, Ms. Tucker was the first black director of the Illinois State Department of Human Rights, a post she held for ten years. Incidentally, she is only the second black

woman to serve on the EEOC. Eleanor Holmes Norton, who chaired the Commission from May 27, 1977 to Feb. 21, 1981, was the Commission's first African American female.

The new commissioner was the first black woman in Illinois to be confirmed to a cabinet post by the State Senate, in June 1980. She had served in Illinois State government since 1971.

Ms. Tucker is the fifth member of the Commission. The others: Chairman Evan J. Kemp, Jr.; Vice Chairman R. Gail Silberman, and members Joy Cherian, born in Cochiti, Kerala, India, and Tony E. Gallegos, a native of Montrose, CO.

Married to Chicago advertising executive Dwight Jones, Ms. Tucker is a graduate of John Marshall Law School. Her EEOC term expires July 1, 1996.

Faye McNair-Knox named
distinguished scholar

WAYNE — Dr. Faye McNair-Knox, a career educator with a long-standing commitment to improving the quality of education for and about people of African descent, has been named Visiting Distinguished Scholar for the 1991-92 academic year at William Paterson College in Wayne. McNair-Knox will teach in the college's Department of African, African-American and Caribbean Studies (AAACS), and present a series of lectures and seminars open to the general public. AAACS is a cross-cultural, multi-disciplinary department at WPC whose course offerings encompass the historical, social, economic, political and cultural experiences of African, African-American and Caribbean people. McNair-Knox will teach an undergraduate course, "African Communities and Cultures in the New World," and a graduate seminar, "Language and the Education of African-American Students."

A specialist in African languages (she is fluent in Swahili and Hausa as well as French), McNair-Knox has done extensive research into the variations of English spoken by urban African-American populations.

McNair-Knox holds a Ph.D. in education, dual M.A. degrees in linguistics and secondary education, and a B.A. in linguistics and child development, all from Stanford University, where she held a joint appointment in Linguistics and African and Afro-American Studies for the past two years. During the 1988-89 academic year, she held the post of reader (associate professor) at the University of Maiduguri, Nigeria, in conjunction with a Fulbright Scholar Program.

In addition to the Fulbright Scholar Program, McNair-Knox has received the Ford Foundation Doctoral Fellowship, the National Defense Foreign Language Fellowship and the National Merit



Faye McNair-Knox

Elliot Wheeler and University Scholarships from Stanford University.

100 Black Men
to host golf
and tennis tourney

Young black males in crisis. We've heard about the tremendous problems they face. Now, many of New Jersey's most influential black men have decided to do something about it. You can help, while enjoying yourself. By attending the September 9, Fourth Annual Benefit Golf and Tennis Classic being sponsored by the 100 Black Men of New Jersey. In addition to tennis and golf, the day-long affair at the exclusive Brooklake Country Club in Florham Park will offer swimming, a dinner banquet and major prizes including two luxury automobiles. Proceeds will benefit youth mentoring programs and college scholarships. For tickets, call the 100 Black Men at (201) 678-6522.

Coping
by

Dr. Charles W. Faulkner

Sex problems

Last month, I answered a letter from a reader who asked about a sexual problem. Since that column, I have received many letters from people who also have questions relating to sex. Here are excerpts from several of them, and my brief comments.

Dear Dr. Faulkner:

I enjoy sex but, strangely, I get more turned on by feelings in other parts of my body than I do in my vagina. Is this odd?

Ms. J., Kentucky

Dear Ms. J.:

Consider yourself normal and fortunate. You are experiencing sensitivity in nerves all over your body and, therefore, have the capacity to be easily fulfilled and achieve a full bodily expression of sexual enjoyment. There are many areas in the body that provide as much excitement as the genital area. Remember this when you attempt to provide sexual pleasure for your mate.

Dear Dr. Faulkner:

I know you won't print my letter because it is not too "nice," but I get a kick out of hurting women when I have sex with them. Some of them like it. So what's wrong with that a little pain?

J.W., Ohio

Dear P.J.:

Your pleasure in inflicting pain borders on sadism. You get a kick out of it, but I wonder if your compass really does. Sadism is a psychological abnormality. It is an effort to assert control over another person. Sex in this instance is one-sided; it is only fun for the abuser. You may not know it but sadists are really weak, insecure people who must constantly abuse others in order to support their own weak self-image.

Eventually, you are going to hurt someone permanently. Sadists must constantly locate, control and abuse people who cannot adequately defend themselves. If your urge to inflict pain is uncontrollable, you should seek counseling. In all honesty, some normal people accept a degree of pain as a component of pleasurable sex.

Dear Dr. Faulkner:

I live in a violent neighborhood where rape is common. What should I do? I am always scared.

Ms. T., Arizona

Dear Ms. T.:

Turn your fear into actions that you will decrease your chances of being raped. Don't travel alone at night, keep doors locked in your home and auto, don't allow people to peer into your home through unshaded windows, contact your Rape Crisis Center for more information now, before rape becomes a personal problem.

Dear Dr. Faulkner:

Is it dangerous to cause yourself to have a climax? You know what I mean.

J.W., Michigan

Dear J.W.:

The old myths about the dangers of masturbation have been disproved. In fact, some physicians recommend it as a way of keeping the sexual apparatus in good working condition. People who abstain from the sex act for long periods of time often find that the muscles atrophy, and that getting aroused is difficult. Self-arousal and self-sex can keep you normal.

Dr. Charles W. Faulkner may be reached at P.O. Box 50197, Washington, DC 20004.

Kelly elected Seton Hall chair

SOUTH ORANGE — John C. Kelly, managing partner of Arthur Anderson and Co., has been elected chairman of the Seton Hall University Board of Regents. He succeeds Robert E. Brennan who had served for two years.

Kelly joined Arthur Anderson and Co., a worldwide accounting, tax, audit, and management consulting firm, following his graduation from Seton Hall University in 1963. He was admitted to the partnership in 1974 and has headed New Jersey corporations since 1989. The firm has offices in Roseland and Princeton.

Kelly has been dedicated to the welfare of Seton Hall. He has served as president of the Seton Hall Alumni Association and of the W. Paul Stillman School of Business Alumni Association. He

is active in the Seton Hall Campaign and is a member of the



John C. Kelly

University's Renaissance Society. The \$100 million Seton Hall Campaign was announced in November of 1990 and is the most ambitious and comprehensive endeavor of its kind to be undertaken in the history of Seton Hall.

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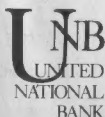
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

NORTH BRANCH — A group painting and drawing exhibit opens in the Platte Valley Community College Art Gallery with a reception from 7-9 p.m. this Sept. 27. For more information, call 908-218-8871.

NORTH BRANCH — The Prentiss Council of New Jersey is honored to present, "New Jersey Post Masters," at the Ralph T. Rieve Cultural Center, thru October 12. Free admission. For more information, call 908-215-2210.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

SECAUCUS — Meadowlands Hospital Medical Center will host a free skin cancer screening from 9 a.m. to noon at the Hospital's Industrial Medicine Center at 210 Meadowlands Parkway. For information call 201-332-3258.

PLAINFIELD — The Board of Education of Plainfield will hold its Curric. & Instruc. Committee Meeting in the PHS Conference Room at 7:00 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

FLORHAM PARK — The 100 Black Men of New Jersey Annual Golf Classic at 9 a.m. shop, at the Brooklake Country Club. Entry fee \$150. Call 201-678-6522 for further information.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

PLAINFIELD — The Board of Education of Plainfield will hold its Finance Committee Meeting in the PHS Conference Room at 7:00 p.m. at the Bldgs. & Grds. meeting.

UNION — Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County is offering a free "Fire Planning" class from 1-3 p.m. and repeated on September 12 from 7-9 p.m. For more information, call 908-654-9854.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

PATERSON — Remembrance Paul Roberts, Paterson Free Public Library, Assembly Room, 250 Broadway. A glimpse into the life of the famed African American orator, actor, singer and champion of world peace and human rights. For information call 201-881-7038.

NEW BRUNSWICK — New Jersey State Bar Foundation will conduct a free seminar at Living Willa. For information call 908-245-5000.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

CEDAR KNOLLS — Would-be stand-up comics, dancers and singers are invited to participate in a talent contest sponsored by the American Diabetes Association (ADA) at 9 p.m. at the Catalina Bar. For more information, call 908-388-4733.

FAIRWOOD — Spaulding for Children's Volunteer Auxiliary Recruitment meeting at 7:30 p.m. held at the Mansion Hotel. For more information, call 908-233-2282.

SECAUCUS — Meadowlands Hospital Medical Center will host a Fall Preview Fashion Show at 7:00 p.m. in the Hospital's second floor auditorium. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call 201-332-1167 or 202-3350.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

GLEN RIDGE — The Essex County Branch of the Lupus Foundation of New Jersey will hold its monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Mountside Hospital of Nursing, Bay Ave. For further information, call 201-781-3860.

NEWARK — Newark city-wide Senior Citizen fashion & talent extravaganza "A Living Legacy Program" at 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m., PSEG Plaza, 80 Park Place. For further information, contact Bernice M. Rountree, 201-442-9205 or Kitty V. Taylor 201-624-8218.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

NEWARK — The Board of Directors of SHARE New Jersey will hold its 6th Annual Birthday Party at the Sharm Center, 436 Ferry St. at 12 Noon. RSVP by August 30 by calling 201-344-2400.

JERSEY CITY — Free basic genealogy workshop at the Afro-American Historical and Cultural Museum, second floor at the Greenview Public Library, 1841 Kennedy Boulevard sponsored by the NJ Chapter of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogy Society. For information call 201-763-4918.

PARISPANY — The National Multiple Sclerosis Society Northern New Jersey Chapter hosts its 13th Annual Gateway Weekend thru Sept. 15 at the Sheraton Hotel. Reservations are must. For more information, call 201-763-6411.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

PARISPANY — The National MS Society

Northern New Jersey Chapter's 1991 Annual Meeting will be held at the Sheraton Times Hotel. For more information and reservations, call The Northern New Jersey Chapter at 201-763-6411.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

UNION — A free and confidential support group designed to help individuals cope with caring for an elderly loved one will resume from 6:30 p.m. at Union Hotel. For information, call 908-687-1000, ext. 2017.

WAYNE — Ben Shahn's Galleries opens its season featuring a dozen young abstract painters in the East Gallery with "Abstract Painting: Process and Materials" thru October 25. For more information, call 201-955-2654.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

IRVINGTON — Michael C. Steeler will officially welcome and introduce Dr. Patrick DeLoe as the next President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in Town Hall. For more information, contact Wayne Smith, 201-339-6639 or 6940.

PLAINFIELD — The Board of Education of Plainfield will hold its Executive Session Meeting at the Barlow School, Front St. at 6:00 p.m. and at 8:00 p.m. The Business Meeting will be held in the Barlow School Auditorium.

WESTFIELD — Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County is offering Public Hearing Proceedings to increase your leadership skills at 1:30-3 p.m. in the Westfield Community, 300 North Ave., East. We'll be, but registration required. For more information, call 908-654-9854.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

WESTFIELD — Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County is offering a free "Planning - Small Home Repair - Hands-on" workshop at the Extension auditorium at 300 North Ave., East from 7-9 p.m. For more information and registration call 908-654-9854.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

MONTECLAIR — New York artist Nanette Carter will exhibit a series of her paintings in Bloomfield College's Westminster Gallery, located in the College's Westminster Arts Center, Franklin and Fremont Sts. thru Thursday, October 17. For more information, contact Lisa Fawcett, 201-748-9000, ext. 343.

Black Family Celebration is growing

But we still have a long way to go

by Chester A. Higgins, Sr.

WASHINGTON, DC (NPPA) — Dr. Dorothy I. Height, National Council of Negro Women president, was reminiscing while planning additional regional presentations of the Sixth Annual Black Family Reunion Celebration.

The handsome, cultured, and laid-back official succeeded the late founder Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune in 1958 (Dr. Bethune launched NCNW in 1935), and has run it with iron fist in a velvet glove ever since. She chuckled as if to herself as she sat in her Washington, DC office and talked about America's rigid apartheid and NCNW's gleeful reactions to some small civil rights victories that seemed large at the time, during its long and painful struggle against it.

"I grew up in a generation when we were always fighting to have 'Negro' spelled with a capital 'N,' and we keep people from saying colored when they didn't have to, and I remember the first time a young (black) woman got her engagement announcement in the New York Times, we almost called a holiday."

Since those days, "we have come a long way," she continued. "But we still have a long way to go. And we keep people who were there (at the time), that are sensitive and aware of our concerns and our needs."

Dr. Height is an undisputed leader among the "Big 4" African American civil rights leaders of the past several decades. These include: Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, executive director of the NAACP; John Jacob, president of the National Urban League; and Dr. Joseph Lowery, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

NCNW's launching of the National Black Family Celebration in 1986, is one of the more significant undertakings of the "Big Four" civil rights organizations in recent years.

Since its beginning more than 5 million people have attended the celebrations which now cover seven city/regions this year:

Philadelphia, Fairmount Park/Memorial Hall, July 19-21; Chicago, IL, Washington Park, August 9-10; Cincinnati, OH, Riverfront, August 16-18; Los Angeles, CA, Exposition Park, August 23-25; Memphis, TN, Overton Park, September 13-15; Washington, DC, National Celebration, Washington Monument Grounds and Mall, September 20-22; and Atlanta, GA, Exhibit Center/Lake-wood Fairgrounds.

The Black Family Celebration began in Washington, DC, in 1986, and its presentation here each year is billed as the National Celebration. Thus, it has become a national event, seeking to add a



Dorothy Height

city/region each year. The logistics of organizing on such a massive scale are becoming staggering—an almost year-round thing. Barbara Cox, the able National Black Family Celebration coordinator, told NNPA.

The affair is "for everybody," Dr. Height said "not just blacks, although they are the primary focus. The Celebration is about connections; people and families coming together, making connections with others."

She cited tough rival street gangs, who in some cities the mere proximity to one another could unleash fierce warfare and bloodshed, coming to black family reunions, participating peacefully, "and leaving without a fuss. We have never had a police incident but on the other hand, many positive things have happened," she beamed.

The Celebrations are NCNW's response to some of the searing problems ripping at the very fabric of black family life—divorce,

single female headed households, drugs, black-on-black crime, murders, black male imprisonment, health matters, and the elderly crouched behind heavily locked doors, perfumed by threats of crime.

"There is no way we can answer all of the press' queries about the 'vanishing' black family, or counter all of the negativism that there is," she said, "but we are trying, like Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., to put people in motion in their own behalf." Who, other than a warm mother figure, can better do this?

"This not a march; it is not a protest, but a celebration. But it is using the same strategy and saying, let us come out and bear witness to who we are as a people... recognize our great strength... and how we have survived as (that) black family. As an extended black family, everyone once looked out for very child and we all gave support to one another."

"We are trying to offset those

images we see every night of the body bags, the destruction of our young males and young females. We want to show the positive values of the black family... to bring everybody together—the upwardly mobile, the middle class and the lower classes, and get a reinforcement of the positive."

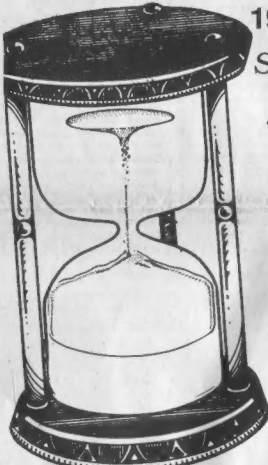
The Black Family Celebration has attracted increasing corporate support, as well as that of national African American celebrities: Bill Cosby, Dionne Warwick, Dick Gregory, Melba Moore, Ossie Davis, and many others.

Pavilion activities this year include: Children, Teens and Young Adults; Workforce 2000; Jobs & Business Opportunities; Sports & Fitness; Health; Education; Women's Issues; Family Values; National Council of Negro Women; Spirituality; Roots; The Diaspora Pavilion.

Dr. Height said NCNW is seeking increased local church participation this year.

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League gets runaround

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erating procedures within that department and the impending possibility of a third league, also requesting use of the City's facilities. The third league, Queen City League, has since been disbanded.

Councilman Jon Bramnick questioned why a discussion of a possible third league would matter if the application had already been in the hands of the department for two months.

He said that the discussion was no reason to keep people waiting this long. He suggested that an ordinance be drafted which will make city departments accountable for a response time of 30 to 40 days at least to let applicants know where they stand.

Several council members agreed with Bramnick. Councilwoman Helen Miller said that a lot of time was wasted keeping people hanging, especially when the children are anxious to play. Councilman Earl Robinson felt that the chain of command was not followed in the matter.

Chin responded to the Council's remarks by saying that the delay was not Pope's fault as he did not have the authority at the time to make a final decision. It

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

They give back and so should you

Edward Long does it, along with John L. Smith, Elizabeth Flood, and Marilyn J. Morheuser. They are area citizens with their own lives, families, and commitments but they all have one thing in common — they give something back to their communities. They do it, and so should you.

We are all residents and products of our communities. When things happen, good and bad, everyone is influenced. Instead of complaining about what is wrong with our neighborhoods, why don't we take a few moments of our time to contribute something worthwhile. It's easier than you think.

It could be as simple as mowing the lawn for an elderly person, being a big brother or sister to a child in need of guidance and positive influences, or even teaching someone to read. The significance goes without say, and the rewards are immeasurable.

People give back because they care. Money is not the object, nor accolades from the mayor, nor awards from prominent organizations. We all need to stop sitting in our houses, turning our backs to the problems of the world. People made the problems and people can solve them. It takes time, sincerity, perseverance, and love, but we all can make a difference.

Call your local library, or the hospital, they all need volunteers, start your own community-oriented program. Also, the United Way and the Black United Fund have lists of programs in need of volunteers in just about everything in every area.

A community is only as good as its residents. The more desirable areas are where the government and citizens work together for the sake of the municipality. So, before you give up on your city, give it another chance — give a little something back.

Letters...

She stuck to the basics

Dear Editor:

Sharon Khadijah Vincent's reminder to parents, "Back to Basics" (August 14), was most appropriate. We all share the excitement of shopping for back-to-school clothes and school supplies — but your emphasis on the

real priority for academic excellence is often forgotten. The excellent article summarizes this district's objectives.

I look forward to other articles written by Ms. Vincent in City News.

Rose S. Stahntes
Hillside Superintendent of Schools

Child Watch...

Believe in the future

by Marlan Wright Edelman

WASHINGTON, DC (NPPA) — Every 41 seconds of the school day an African-American student drops out of school. Without an education, each dropout leaves his or her future to chance, and only a precious few get lucky. My friend Curtis was smart enough to know he couldn't depend on luck. For that matter, he was smarter than a lot of adults who thought he couldn't make it.

Let me tell you about Curtis. Curtis is a handsome, young, African-American man who impressed me with his energy and ambition. Now, he plans to finish high school, go on to college, and

then get on with his life. But a few years ago even Curtis' teachers didn't believe he would make it.

Back in ninth grade Curtis was placed in the Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (SED) program at San Andreas High School in Los Angeles. It wasn't unusual for him to walk off campus and do whatever he pleased. He had discipline problems with teachers and got into disturbances with other students. He was unhappy with the SED classes. Curtis seemed hopeless — another potential dropout statistic.

But Curtis decided to take charge of his future. Why? What made him do it? He wanted and asked for the opportunity to at-

tend regular classes. His request was granted, and he worked extra hard. According to his principal, Margaret Hill, "Curtis has a habit of upon himself to just say, 'I'm going to turn that negative behavior to positive behavior.'"

Curtis agrees. "I don't need to come to school for someone to pick on me," he said. "School's not for fighting; school is for education and that's why I've come — to get my education."

Last spring he enrolled in a reading class at San Bernardino Valley College. He's worked hard, despite the obstacles special education students have. Each morning he catches the bus from his high school to attend his class on the college campus ten miles away. Curtis has near-perfect attendance.

I admire Curtis for his perseverance. Despite his family's financial worries and his trouble with classwork and classmates, Curtis kept reaching higher. He understands the value of education and believes there is a productive life ahead of him. That faith alone, even without the other obstacles, makes Curtis unusual. I've met too many young black people who didn't believe in themselves.

On the day after Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated, I met with a group of teenagers who had been rioting and looting in the streets. I tried to tell them their actions would ruin their futures. They didn't want to listen. One young man told me, "Lady, I ain't got no future."

I'm still haunted by his statement even though we made progress in keeping Dr. King's dream alive. We have a long road ahead of us, but I'm encouraged from success stories like Curtis'. It indicates to me that our youngsters can achieve anything any other child can achieve if we help them believe in themselves and support them along their way.

I believe Curtis will take it day by day and succeed. He plans to attend a vocational college and earn an electronics or psychology degree. Then, he'll get a job and settle down. He believes in himself. "I'm just like anybody else," Curtis said, "so I feel like I can get out there and do my thing."

We agree and were happy to award Curtis one of our Beat the Odds awards last year in Los Angeles.

Marlan Wright Edelman is president of the Children's Defense Fund, a national voice for children.

by Bruce Kartman

She walks her beat in a bold, forthright and upright manner keeping always on the alert. It is a hot day in the village of Harlem in New York City. The streets are filled with people, horns are honking as the common everyday New Yorker scrambles to and fro attempting to get back to the office or simply trying to find a place to go. I was on the telephone directly across the street from Columbia University as I attempted to inquire about a law periodical that I was anxious to read. As fate would have it, the law school at this prestigious University did not have the periodical that I desired at that time so I simply asked the person on the other end of the telephone to have a great day and I moved on to tend to other business.

It was at this moment that I noticed Officer Gibson on her daily foot patrol. She is a COP officer who works out of the 26th Police Precinct in upper Manhattan. I had actually met Officer Gibson in mid July at another Manhattan precinct where we have a mutual friend. She explained to me at that time that COP is a community policing effort that has been established by Commissioner Lee Brown that attempts to have police officers establish a better relationship with

the communities they serve. I have not taken the time to evaluate the entire COP program throughout the city of New York, however I can certainly say that through the noble efforts of Officer Margaret Gibson the program is working like charm in upper Manhattan or around the area of Columbia University.

As I walked the beat with this very caring officer, I was struck by the tremendous rapport that she has with her community. The people seem to wrap their arms around her as she patrols. Children wave to her as do vendors. Everyone receives professional and fair treatment from this officer as people ask her about everything from parking tickets to the quickest way to St. Lukes Hospital. I was extremely moved as Officer Gibson stopped a seemingly homeless person on the street to inquire about her baby, and to ask if she was doing ok generally.

I consider myself an individual who is always looking for ways to learn and grow. Throughout my life I have attempted to try and take advantage of every great leader and teacher that God has allowed to pass my way. As I consider dialogue and healthy debate two of the best tools that we can use for intellectual growth and development, I decided at this moment that I was going to come away from this chance encounter as a more enlightened individual by allowing this great teacher to indeed teach me something this day.

As Officer Gibson and I continued to patrol, I asked her about the apparent insensitivity that may white officers seem to bring into

black and Latino communities. Her answer was not spontaneous; it appeared to be very well thought out and as she spoke I was told of a fairly recent collar that she had made. It involved a young African-American male who was following a group of police officers with a 357 magnum. As Officer Gibson spotted him she instructed him to freeze and drop the gun. In an apparent challenge the man turned to Officer Gibson and states — "Cmon." After another loud demand to drop the gun this African-American male was eventually over taken by the other law enforcers who were on the scene.

Ironically, as this man was being led away he stated to Officer Gibson that he would have attempted to take her out had he not been captured at that exact moment. This courageous officer showed me how her mindset at the time was simply to have the man drop his gun and that the realization that he was black on her part would have in no way stopped him from attempting to hurt her. I thought that this was a point well taken and since I have no life experience that can compare to what I was told, I simply commended Officer Gibson on her bravery and continued on patrol.

I consider any afternoon enjoyable when I can come away from it learning as much as I did. In the person of Police Officer Margaret Gibson, on a hot afternoon in the village of Harlem, I saw what I believe police work should be all about. It is my contention that those who come in contact with Officer Gibson on her patrol leave as better people. Whether it is the school children who she talks to

about the danger of evil drugs or simply the average person on the street, I saw a police officer who is truly a friend and advisor to the community.

I feel that it would be a travesty of justice if the good works of Officer Margaret Gibson go unnoticed by people in the upper crust of New York City's chain of command. I consider her a leader, teacher and an excellent role model for up and coming officers and people in general. Officer Gibson says: "I hate to hear parents say to their children you better act right or I'll tell the police to come and arrest you and take you to jail. No, No, No, I want the children to know that I'm their friend and that we're the good guys."

I enjoyed talking the beat with Officer Margaret Gibson and it is certainly refreshing to know that her and through her excellent work our youth do indeed have an excellent role model right here in Harlem.

Officer Gibson, through her illustrious leadership makes that blue uniform represent itself as a friend to the community and those police officers who do demonstrate insensitivity should follow the lead of the modern day she-ro.

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PSE&G General Manager,
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YOUTH/EDUCATION/SUCCESS

Sports Heroes team up with youthful dads

NEWARK — Famous sports figures—including football's Harry Carson and basketball's Willis Reed and Marvin Webster—will take the court in a Celebrity Basketball Game to benefit a program for young fathers at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ).

The game, set for Saturday, September 28 at 5 p.m. in the Essex County College gymnasium, 303 University Ave., Newark, will be played by celebrity athletes and young men served by the program. In addition to Carson, Reed and Webster, stars from the New Jersey Nets are scheduled to be at the event.

Tickets may be obtained the week of August 26 at UMDNJ-University Hospital cafeteria and at Valley Fair Records, 486 Chancellor Ave., both Newark. Prices are \$4 for children under 12, \$8 for students with identification and \$10 for adults. Adult tickets are \$12 at the door.

The benefit will allow the Young Fathers Program at UMDNJ's Newark campus to add a role model component. This will pair young dads with adult volunteers from business and civic groups, who will serve as mentors.

Carson, former star linebacker for the Giants, is honorary chair of the event. He has been working with the young fathers in the UMDNJ program for two years.

The Young Fathers Program assists adolescent and young adult men age 15 to 25. The program's goals are to improve the lives of the fathers, improve parent-child relationships, reduce the abuse and neglect of children, reduce repeated unwanted pregnancies and generally strengthen individual family systems.

Programs include education, employment and family counseling, job placement, and social and recreational activities. The service is offered without charge and

has a flexible schedule to meet the needs of its participants. A series of core programs cover such topics as money management, self-esteem, cooking and house-keeping, bonding between parent and child, male-female relationships, personal goals and decision-making.

Launched in March 1987, the program serves approximately 125 young men a year. It is run by the Division of Adolescent Medicine of the UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School. Dr. Robert Johnson, professor of clinical pediatrics, is division director.

For further information about the Young Fathers Program and the Celebrity Basketball Game call (201) 456-5531.

Men Cooking for youth

NEWARK—The Help Factory is a non-profit organization, established to provide an additional after school program for youth throughout Essex County. Their mission is to enhance the basic skills of youths and to culturally motivate them. In an effort to expedite the after school program, The Help Factory, in cooperation with Assistant Dean Crotte of the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs, is sponsoring a fundraiser on Sunday, September 15.

Support is requested in these efforts to enhance the learning skills of our youth. Participation will consist of volunteers preparing one dish of their preference that will accommodate at least 25 persons.

For further information regarding participation at one of the 50 "Men Cooking for Youth," you may contact the Chairperson, Ms. Virginia Mamon at (201) 623-3220, a volunteer at (201) 705-9559, 373-0822, 676-3754 or Asst. Dean Crotte at (201) 648-5300.

CAN'T TOUCH THIS Making New Jersey greener and educating Girl Scouts

TRENTON — Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group announced today a major environmental program aimed at providing new trees for Trenton and other New Jersey cities. The program, which was launched at the Trenton Public Library during a book donation ceremony last Tuesday, will support reforestation and environmental education projects throughout the state, according to Donna Jakubowski, manager of public affairs for Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group.

In the program's first phase, which is called *New Leaf*, the Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group has developed a partnership with the Delaware-Raritan Girl Scout Council. The pharmaceutical company has created and sponsored a new patch program that will have Girl Scouts of all ages planting trees in Trenton this October. Similar projects are under way in Perth Amboy and New Brunswick.

A patch program is one in which Girl Scouts earn achievement patches for their uniforms by completing recommended educational and recreational activities. Bristol-Myers Squibb developed the curriculum for the *New Leaf* patch program, which will teach Girl Scouts about the role trees play in our lives, how to select appropriate sites for new trees, how to go through the municipal permit process for tree planting, and most importantly, how to plant and care for trees.

"Through the *New Leaf* patch program, we hope the girls will acquire an understanding of the importance of trees and other plant life to the quality of our lives and, in turn, the role we must play to support and maintain

"Planting a tree today is like sending flowers to the future from a secret admirer. The tree is a symbol of life, a signature of nature, a harbinger of the seasons, and a guardian of the atmosphere. Even young children seem to have a natural reverence for these great living giants."

Introduction to the *New Leaf* patch program in the Girl Scout Leaders Guide developed by Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group.



Professional storyteller Kathy Pierce has Girl Scouts pretending they are trees during a recent ceremony to launch the *New Leaf* patch program.

the environment," Ms. Jakubowski said.

"We also hope the Girl Scouts will begin to think of their communities as evolving places that can be improved by individual and collective actions, and that each individual can participate in the process that helps to make our communities better places to live," Ms. Jakubowski added.

To help the Girl Scouts complete their *New Leaf* requirements and to foster an interest in the environment among other area youngsters as well, Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group donated a collection of 14 books, each with an environmental theme, to the Trenton Public



Callum, president of the Delaware-Raritan Girl Scout Council. "The *New Leaf* program teaches much more than basic planting techniques. It imparts values related to the importance of life, the frailty of nature, and our ability to affect our own environment."

Ms. McCallum noted that "we're going to have some very busy girls in the next few months. There's a great deal of research and planning involved in this kind of project, and the girls will come out with a satisfaction that will grow with the trees over the years."

The Bristol-Myers Squibb Company is a diversified company whose principal businesses are pharmaceuticals, nutritional, consumer products and medical devices. Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group, headquartered in Princeton, is among the world's leading makers of cardiovascular, anticancer, anti-infective, central nervous system, dermatological therapies and diagnostic products.

Organizations interested in submitting proposals for similar reforestation projects should write to: Ms. Donna Jakubowski, Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group, P.O. Box 191, New Brunswick, NJ 08903-0191.

READING, WRITING & REALITY

THE bad news is that 50% of pregnant teens drop out of school. In fact, an average of 1 million American students drop out each year.

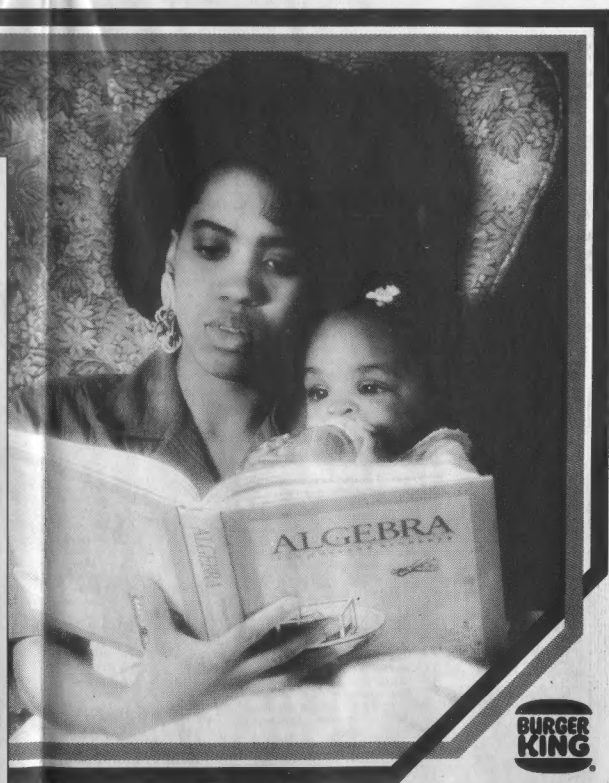
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RELIGIOUS CALENDAR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

NEWARK—The Sunday Mass will be held at 7:30 a.m. on WOR-TV with Fr. John Gordon, Valiation Church, Paramus, N.J. For more information, call 201-596-4115.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

WASHINGTON—The all-night vigil of the first Friday and Saturday for peace in repatriation to the hearts of Jesus and Mary will be held at the Blue Army Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, St. Paul. For information call 908-689-2319.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

WESTFIELD—The St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church of Westfield, N.J., presents "The Rockaway Revue, Color of Love" at the Westfield High School, Parkway Ave. & Doran Road, 6:30 p.m. For more information and to purchase tickets, call 908-233-2547.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

NEWARK—The Sunday Mass will be held at 7:30 a.m. on WOR-TV with Mag. Thomas Leonard, Pastor, Holy Trinity Church, New York. For more information, call 201-596-4115.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

PLAINFIELD—Calvary Revival Center will host their first Breakfast in aid of their overseas and various missionary projects at Adrian's Restaurant, 9 a.m. For ticket information, call 908-958-8167.

PLAINFIELD—Calvary Revival Center's October 3-Day Crusade begins the 15th at 7:30 p.m., nightly at 635 East 1st Street. For information call 908-754-0919.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

MONTCLAIR—Montclair Unity Church invites the public to join in a special "Friendship Sunday Celebration," at 10:30 a.m., Montclair Kimberley Academy, 201 Valley Road. For more information, call 201-746-8417.

NEWARK—The Sunday Mass will be held at 7:30 a.m. on WOR-TV with Fr. George Trabold, Development Office, Chancery, Newark. For more information, call 201-596-4115.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

SOUTH ORANGE—Seron Hall Center for Public Service Plans Fall courses on non-denominational religious organization management. For further information call 201-761-9510.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

NEWARK—The Sunday Mass will be held at 7:30 a.m. on WOR-TV with Rev. Gil Babu, St. Ann's Church, Bridgeport, CT. For more information, call 201-596-4115.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

ENGLEWOOD—Shiloh A.M.E. Zion Church is celebrating 100 years of Christian service and spiritual growth with a banquet celebration at Shiloh A.M.E. Zion Church, 126 William St. with keynote speaker Rev. Dr. Calvin Butts III of Abyssinian Baptist Church, N.Y. Adults \$50, children under 12 \$30. For more information call Mrs. Lillie W. Williams, 201-661-0256 (day), or after 4:00 p.m. 201-588-0280.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

NEWARK—The Sunday Mass will be held at 7:30 a.m. on WOR-TV with Rev. Cletion Martinesco, St. Peter's College, Jersey City. For more information, call 201-596-4115.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

SOUTH ORANGE—Seron Hall Center for Public Service plans Fall courses on non-denominational religious organization management. For further information call 201-761-9510.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

SOUTH ORANGE—Seron Hall Center for Public Service plans Fall courses on non-denominational religious organization management. For further information call 201-761-9510.

White-on-white faction fighting unleashed in South Africa

by Daniel Marohn

WASHINGTON, DC (NNPA)—The white-on-white faction fighting between two of the three Afrikaner groups in Ventersdorp, Western Transvaal, South Africa, on Friday August 9 will help to silence the allies and friends of apartheid who would like to reward the apartheid regime for its false and deceptive attempts towards ending white domination in South Africa, and shifting the blame for that country's racial turmoil on black-on-black faction fights which have plagued the racist-ruled country since 1986.

On Friday August 9, South Africa witnessed a white-on-white faction fight between two of the three rival Afrikaner organizations of the white minority-race state. On that day, members of the extremely racist Afrikaner Resistance Movement—a right wing splinter group opposed President F.W. de Klerk's Afrikaner Nationalist Party—clashed with the regime's police in one of the most bitter white-on-white fights in the country. However witnessed, The Afrikaner Resistance Movement which indulges in murdering and assassinating leaders of rival black and white organizations, was personally led by its leader, Eugene TerreBlanche, a neo-Nazi. The Movement was armed to the teeth with pistols, hunting guns, tear gas and other forms of ammunition. It marched in formation to stop a meeting in a hall where President de Klerk was the main speaker.

TerreBlanche's 2,000-strong protesters confronted de Klerk's 2,000-strong police force which tried to stop the protest. Both sides were heavily armed. In addition to firearms and tear gas, the police also had police dogs. The clash was ferocious and 3 were killed and 57 wounded.

The Afrikaner Resistance Movement opposes President de Klerk's nibblings at apartheid, which TerreBlanche's men would like to see intensified, consolidated and perpetuated to maintain white domination.

The three rival Afrikaner political organizations—de Klerk's National Party, Andries Treurnicht's Conservative Party, and TerreBlanche's Afrikaner Resistance Movement—are all caught up in a catastrophic conflict. Treurnicht and TerreBlanche are both diametrically opposed to de Klerk's N.P. and to all forms of constitutional change in South Africa.

Whilst the resisters against change and the police fought pitched battles outside the Ventersdorp Hall, de Klerk delivered his speech to the end. But he felt the message was clear. Apartheid has, divided blacks against blacks. It has also divided whites against whites and de Klerk cannot qualify as the role model for Afrikaners. If there were to be an election tomorrow, he would not win it! Still, de Klerk is hoping to stay in power whilst his nibblings at apartheid remain on the launching pad. But TerreBlanche and Treurnicht will continue to intensify the

Afrikaner intramural snubbling until de Klerk is derailed. The message is clear: the three Afrikaner rival wings are caught up in a catastrophic trap of their own making. But, significantly, TerreBlanche and Treurnicht are shattering de Klerk's hopes of nominating both white and black people. De Klerk is certainly heading for a nail-biting destiny...

Afrikaner unity is being shaken by TerreBlanche, Treurnicht and the recent scandals of covert funding of INKATHA, etc.

Afrikanerdom is tumbling to its ruins. During the Ventersdorp white-on-white clashes, some blacks were caught in the crossfire, beaten and wounded. But, in all, the deception of de Klerk's heroism and ability to democratize South Africa has been disproved.

Nelson Mandela, head of ANC, blames de Klerk and TerreBlanche and Treurnicht for the turmoil which engulfs South Africa, preventing the country to

be democratized into a free non-racial society. Apartheid is the brainchild of all Afrikaners. And, to end it, Afrikaners must be demolished, and all South Africans turned into equal citizens, irrespective of race, color or creed. All Afrikaners, including

de Klerk, himself, are behind all the violence and confusion in South Africa. End Afrikanerdom and apartheid, and there will be no interracial friction in the country.

Newark senior citizen fashion and talent extravaganza

NEWARK — Newark's senior citizens are again gearing up for their annual city-wide Fashion Extravaganza with Senior Talent being added to this year's show.

Slated for Thursday, September 12, the extravaganza kicks off from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the PSEG Plaza Amphitheatre, 80 Park Place in Newark. In case of rain or bad weather, the event will move into the Quail Inn, 50 Park Place.

Central Ward Councilman George Branch and Kitty V. Taylor, co-founders of the Extravaganza, are inviting all seniors to take part in this show.

Councilman Branch stated, "The seniors prove year after year that they are just full of zest. It doesn't matter whether they are on canes, in wheelchairs, or using walkers — when they come out on the stage, they capture the audience with their style, showmanship and the beauty of the outfits they are wearing."

Kitty Taylor agreed adding, "Every year we all get more and more excited. This affair brings all of us together — all ages and backgrounds. We have fun, create

excitement, and at the same time reinforce the fact that seniors are vibrant members of society with a lot to give."

All seniors who participate in the fashion show will be given a token cash prize. Special monetary awards will be given to the first, second, and third place winners of the fashion contest. In addition to cash, the top three winners will be placed into honorary roles as Mayor, City Council member(s) and Department Director for a day. The winner of the talent contest will be crowned "Ms. Newark Senior Citizen" and have an opportunity to compete in the statewide "Ms. NJ Senior America Pageant," which takes place in Atlantic City on October 22, 1991. The statewide pageant, operated by Senior America, Inc., honors "contestants of 60 or over and seeks to display their inner beauty, talents and elegance."

In the local fashion and talent competitions, a distinguished panel of Newark judges will select winners.

In addition to the senior citizens, the Honorable Mayor Sharpe James, City Council

President Donald Tucker, and members of the Municipal Council are invited as VIP guests. Guest models from all around the city, including governmental agencies, corporations, non-profit and community based organizations, banks, shops, and others, are also invited to join the senior citizen models on stage.

Box lunches for all of the seniors attending the festivities will be provided, compliments of the Mayor and City Council. Musical accompaniment will be provided by Chink Wing and his band, returning by special request for this engagement.

Senior citizens who are interested in applying for the fashion or talent show can contact Ms. Arlene Presley at The Elderly Nutrition Project, 110 William Street, 624-2166. The deadline for applications is August 30, 1991. Fifty (50) fashion show applications and ten (10) talent applications will be accepted.

This event is sponsored by the Mayor and Council of Newark. (Continued on page 7)

Friendship Sunday

MONTCLAIR — Montclair Unity Church invites the public to join in a special "Friendship Sunday Celebration," September 15, 1991 at 10:30 a.m. Unity Church is hoping to attract people who are looking for new friends, a new dimension in spiritual awareness, and personal growth and expresses the great unlimited potential within held at Montclair Kimberley Academy, 201 Valley Road, Montclair, New Jersey. Call (201) 746-8417 for further information.

Club visits Minolta

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our hands," one girl named Carla said.

The youths said they were not intimidated, though, by the complicated camera. Braithwaite explained that it is more a part of adult nature to be leery of something they know little about. He said that even though the summer program was more of an accelerated one due to time constraints, he was very impressed with the students' ability to learn so quickly.

"There is a wealth of potential stored up in these kids," Braithwaite said. He added that they each have a vision that shows in their photographs.

"We didn't get the full summer and we've been pushing hard," he said. "The results are in the photos. They know the stuff."

One sampling of their pictures included shots they took during a trip to a cemetery in Newark. Braithwaite said it was the kind of place that encouraged creativity.

"We needed a controlled environment — somewhere where they could go and think," he said. "A cemetery has a preserved landscape and is the healthiest place we could go and not be bothered."

The youths welcomed the opportunity to take pictures of their surroundings and each other. An exercise in emotions showed different feelings in their faces via photos. It also gave them a chance to direct each other as they searched for just the right poses. Braithwaite said that their ideas and creativity all comes from within them.

"Some adults just can't do this," he said. "It's all natural and that's what I like. Once these children learn how to focus, their curiosity and interest carries them over."

During these stressful economic times, these entities need to pool their talents, energies, and resources together to make a greater impact on the social problems that are plaguing our communities. These communities have suffered violent attacks and the organizations must be violent in taking them back.

The overall purpose of this conference is to assist churches in working together with social service organizations and corporations in developing the communities.

know before and they don't ask how or why, they just learn it and they're not scared about learning," he said.

"The class helps me get a chance to learn about the camera and see people differently when I'm out," Carla added. "The pictures teach me."

The Minolta photography program is to be expanded this month to four sections so more students will be able to take part in it. The extensive curriculum includes photo journalism, sports and other action photography, instruction in portraits and studio photography, as well as how to mount a photo exhibit.

There will also be field trips, guest speakers, instruction from photography professionals from Minolta and the Afro-American Professional Photographers Association, at exhibitions of the youths' photos that will be organized by the students.

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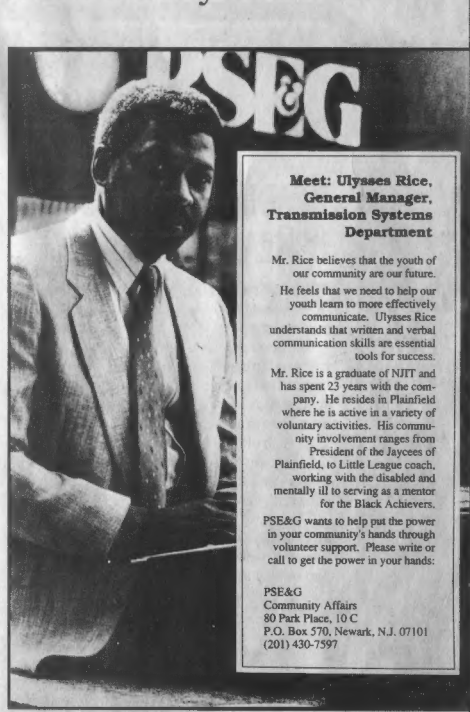
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

NEWARK—The Mary Birch Theatre for the Performing Arts, Essex County College, 300 University Ave., will present "Blood Knot," featuring Messrs Gunn and Herman Marshall thru Sept. 15. Tickets \$14/pair, \$10/pair. For information, call 201-877-4425 or 4426.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

NEWARK—The Newark Public Library will exhibit "Hispanic Visions," a city-wide collaboration of works by Hispanic artists thru October 30, Second Floor Gallery, 5 Washington St. For information, call 201-753-7793.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

HOLMDEL—Fourth Annual Festival of the Arts & Heritage of African Americans at the Garden State Arts Center. For more information and tickets, contact Beatrice Jones, 609-335-2280 or 609-886-5000.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

NEWARK—"Swing City: Newark Nightlife, 1925-57" book party featuring discussion by author Barbara Kukis at 7:00 p.m., Centennial Hall, Newark Public Library, 5 Washington St. Admission free. For more information, call 201-753-7793.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

IRVINGTON—O.K. Family of Stars presents "After Work Get-Together," 6:30 p.m., Irvington Manor, 43 Washington St., \$5/admission; \$10/book. For information, call 201-621-8111.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

BLOOMFIELD—Legendary entertainer Bobby Short to perform "A Short After" at the Van Fossen Center at Bloomfield College. For information and tickets, call 201-748-8000, ext. 295.

Business in the Black...

Arsenio 'n' Opera

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by Charles E. Belle

WASHINGTON, DC (WPA)—Opera, the epitome of European culture, has come to grips with the common and uncommon man's soul in San Francisco. San Francisco's annual Opera Season opening is now rivaled by the heritage and richness of Europe's grand opera houses for the highest cultural tradition in the Western world. Opera openings are opulent to the outlandishly rich who jet set around the world.

They would kill for a box seat at the September 6th opening of Giuseppe Verdi's "La Traviata," the start of the 69th Season of the San Francisco Opera. Other events nevertheless are news to the local and visiting masses that the San Francisco Opera Guild, made up of ladies of leisure, are letting the populists preview for free, fantastic opera performances thanks to the generous donations of a slew of sponsors.

Sara Duryea, San Francisco's Opera Guild president, takes proper pride in presenting the 1991 Examination Opera in the Park, a free performance by the opening night's nuclear star singers in the city's glorious Golden Gate Park. Partly because her children ages 13, 9, and 5 knew more about reaching ordinary people by watching the Arsenio Hall Show than most of her ghoulishly rich guild members and their spouses.

Since 1971, past performers such as Beverly Sills, Plácido Domingo, Marilyn Horne, Luciano Pavarotti, as well as soulful superstar sopranos Shirley Verette and Gwyneth Jones have given free performances to "crowds of up to 50,000." Sara has something more this year in mind with a "Parade Walk '91" on Sunday, September 8th, a sort of something for everyone with souvenir t-shirts, floats and fun for all who want to wear and "walk with the opera of your choice," or watch others in costumes of vari-

ous operas.

Oh, why can they do this and more during the debt ridden times? It's thanks to generous corporate sponsors, of course, like Lexus, Safeway stores, Nestle Beverage company, Pepsi, Eagle snacks, and Delta Airlines. Lefti Mansouri, San Francisco Opera General Manager, let it slip that he too luxuriates in a Lexus automobile, and no doubts flies Delta, devouring Eagle snack peanuts while pondering over a cup of Nestle's coffee. A lesson for all of us to be learned from the "new world order" or old western cultural tradition.

The words of the old western western bard, William Shakespeare should nevertheless save

old and soulful arts. An all too familiar calling by corporate coffers continues to haunt high and low "Live with me, and be my love." Love's answer is, "If that the world and love were young...These pretty pleasures might make me move." Modern folks know that the shepherd speaks with a forked tongue. There are strings attached for all art grants and getting too much directly from any donor group can get sticky later. Love's answer continues from the Bard to all donors after the funds are collected, "to live with thee and by thy love," requires a life-time commitment. Common folk know that soul is not for sale, so we shall see next season if western

art will succumb to a lower stated price. Plan on attending these performances while the funds last.

WPC to hold exhibition on black women in the arts

WAYNE — William Paterson College will hold a photographic exhibit, "Black Women in the Arts: A Tradition of Distinction and Accomplishment," in the Student Center Gallery Lounge from September 2 through September 20.

More than 50 distinguished black women in dance, literature, music, theatre, opera, painting, sculpture and film are featured in the exhibit of photographs, which are accompanied by brief written descriptions of their illustrious careers. The exhibit is sponsored

Chief gets award

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Orange Department as a patrolman. He worked up through the ranks of Detective, Sergeant, and Lieutenant. He served as Lieutenant until March 1990 when he was appointed Acting Chief of Police, and in June he was appointed Chief.

Chief Harman has created initiatives that put the East Orange Police Department in the forefront of community programs and assistance to neighboring municipalities.

In East Orange, he created the Senior Citizen Crime Prevention Seminar where members of the police department visit the senior citizens throughout the City to inform them of crime prevention steps they can take to protect themselves. He also reinstituted street patrols and is actively involved in the City's Black Associations to prevent crime and assist residents in making their communities crime free.

For the first time, he conducted Sensitivity Training for police officers in which the US Department of Justice provided technical assistance to make officers more sensitive to resident issues and concerns. As a result of the training and other programs, the number of complaints in the East Orange Police Department has dropped substantially.

In addition, the Chief has communicated with the clergy throughout the City about the importance of relaying crime and drug prevention information to parishioners.

The East Orange police force consists of 253 officers, 12 female. In 1990 the force effected 6648 arrests, 250,000 calls for service, and issued 24,000 written reports. Under Chief Harman's direction, the Department has purchased new radio cars and increased the number of officers.

Chief Harman attended Montclair State College. He is a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Essex County Association of Chiefs of Police, Law Enforcement Executives Forum, national Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives, PBA Local #16 of East Orange, St John's Lodge #43 — Free Accepted Masters of PMA, and Postmaster of St. John's Lodge #43.

Chief Harman and his wife Toni have three children, Krista, Korey, and Jamal.

jointly by the college's Office of Minority Education and the IBM Corporation and is open to the public Monday through Friday from 7 to 11 a.m.; Saturday from 7 a.m. to midnight and Sunday from noon to midnight.

Co-sponsors of the event, which exemplifies William Paterson College's commitment to its goals of community, excellence and diversity, are: New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division on Women; The New Jersey Project Office of the Mayor, City of Paterson; and the college's Women's Studies Program, Race and Gender Project and Department of African, African-American and Caribbean Studies.

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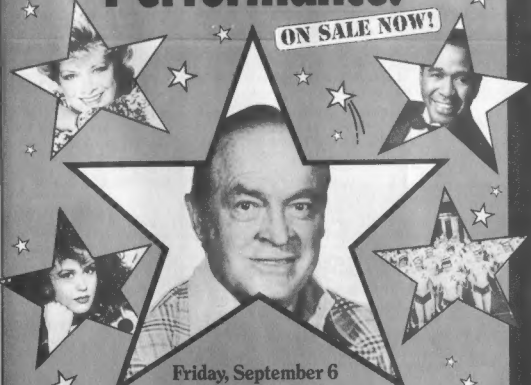
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BUSINESS CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

NEPTUNE—A New Jersey Press Seminar "Covering Your Legislative District," 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Asbury Park Press, 3601 Highway 66. Admission \$15. For more information, call 1-800-822-9770.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

NEWARK—Breakfast Forum - "How to Sell Effectively to Larger Corporations" sponsored by the Greater Newark Small, Women & Minority Business Council at Anheuser-Busch, Route 1-9. Fee \$10. For more information, call (201) 624-1007.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

NEWARK—The 9th Annual New Jersey Black Issues Convention will be held thru Sept. 22 at the Radisson Hotel at Newark Airport. For more information, call (201) 824-7463 or (201) 733-6427.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

NEWARK—Breakfast Forum - "How to Sell Effectively to Public Agencies and Large Institutions" sponsored by the Greater Newark Small, Women & Minority Business Council at Anheuser-Busch, Route 1-9. Fee \$10. For more information, call (201) 624-1007.

Business Exchange...

by William Reed

WASHINGTON, DC (NPR) — When was the last time that you, or somebody you know, said that "movies they make about us don't represent black life?" For the past decade the movies made by Hollywood for public consumption had little or no black involvement whatsoever. Then along came Spike Lee, Mario Van Peebles and John Singleton, then from our own cultural neighborhood who were able to unlock white producer's pocketbooks long enough to get their cameras rolling. Now we say that these boys only depict our communities as drug havens and our people as "wanna be's." So, if nobody has given us a good imitation of our lives, what is it we want, or better yet, wanna be?

Even though we complain about the way we are mocked in movies, we did, and continue to buy 25 percent of all theatre tickets sold in the nation. If we really don't like the way we were portrayed in the flicks of the 80's, or today, why do we continue to pack the picture shows for things we still don't like, or agree with? While we keep putting mo' money and responsibility for us in

white hands, isn't it time we decide to do what it is we say we want?

Isn't it true that blacks who don't like the way we're shown in movies, nor the weather, sing the same ole song time after time? Don't we always say, "Why aren't things better for us? Why can't we see ourselves shown in a better light? Why can't we find good jobs and make more money?" Isn't the answer still very plain and simple—we can't have what we want because we won't do "the right thing" to get it?

The entertainment industry has proven to be a lucrative and productive sector where we could prove our capitalistic sophistication. If we wanted wealth from collective investments in ourselves, we only have to look at the bottom line on the screen scene. "Boyz n' The Hood" grossed \$9.5 million in its first weekend in only 850 theaters across the country. "New Jack City," which Peebles got financed by white people, has passed the \$60 million mark in revenues. "Jungle Fever," which could get into only about 900 movie houses with its backing from Universal and MCA, is still getting about \$50 million in its sponsors. And even "A Rage in Harlem," which

was in the smallest number of theaters, grossed over \$15 million.

In the early part of this century, black people financed, produced, and distributed their own films. Oscar Micheaux made films for, and about, blacks from 1910 to about 1920. The Johnson soul brothers formed the Lincoln Theatre Company and used white folks studios and their own ingenuity to make dozens of films which were shown in segregated picture shows. But today if Warner Brothers or Twentieth Century don't do it for us, it evidently can't be done. Unlike Micheaux, and the Johnsons, we don't do things for ourselves today. We won't make our own picture shows, but we will become what the white man does, or does not do, for us in this industry.

Tony Brown had a movie called "The White Girl" that suffered miserably at its targeted box offices. And Danny Glover's "To Sleep with Anger" suffered from similar lack of promotional capital to have everybody talkin' about the film. But in the long run, we may find that Brown and Glover were onto something. If the black fraternities, sororities, local black newspapers, and radio

stations joined with branch chapters of the Urban Leagues, SCLC and NAACP in the financing, renting of movie houses, and in-

ternal promotion of our own films, we could tell our story, see ourselves in a better light, take care of our own needs, and make mo' money at the same time.

Plainfield fumbles league paperwork

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was assumed by some at the session that the league would acquire insurance, which could have held up paperwork. Chin said that this was not the case. The City's insurance would take care of any accidents that may occur on the City's property. The league does not have insurance for the 170 players who are expected to participate.

After the insurance issue was brought up, Councilman Malcolm Dunn recalled that two weeks ago during a meeting, two other children's organizations wanted permission to hold events on City property.

These two organizations; The African Cultural Arts Programming Organization, (which held its festival August 24 at Library Park), and F.O.C.U.S., Families of the Community United for Self Improvement, (who held their

event August 17 at Rushmore Park), had to obtain insurance or they would not have been allowed to proceed with their activities. "I fail to see the difference in the events," Dunn said. "Whether it be a one-day, two-day affair, or a football game, what are the criteria for having to obtain insurance?"

Ms. Chin stated that it was a long-standing policy that certain events would have to have insurance. She added that the policy needs to be studied in order to make changes for the future.

Council President Elizabeth Urquhart charged administrators present at the session with being more sensitive in the future to the citizens of Plainfield.

Ms. Chin told officials that they could pick up permits the following day without any further problems.

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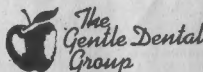
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Matuszewski, Ingram win third annual James, D'Alessio International Tennis Classic

NEWARK — Upsets were apparently the theme of the Third Annual, "Mayor Sharpe James/Essex County Executive Thomas J. D'Alessio, International Tennis Classic (ITC)," as both the Men's and Women's Open Singles champions were surprise winners in the tournament that offered over \$21,000 in cash and prizes.

Former Newark native, Richard Matuszewski, and Jeri Ingram of Silver Spring, Maryland won the men's and women's titles at the pro-am tournament held recently on the Branch Brook Park tennis courts in Newark. Matuszewski and Ingram earned \$5000 and \$2500, respectively, for their victories.

Mayor James commended the spectators, "Ingram, Matuszewski and the other great players in the Classic for their skill and determination," as well as the tournament sponsors and organizers for making it all possible. "It was a pleasure to sponsor this yearly sporting event with the Honorable Thomas D'Alessio. The talented field of players gave tennis-lovers and spectators in Newark, Essex County and throughout the state quite a treat."

The Mayor added, "Thanks to former New York Jets great, Johnny Sample, and renowned tennis instructor and former professional, Bob Davis, you could not have asked for a better tournament. County Executive D'Alessio, Mr. Sample, Mr. Davis, and I look forward to bringing the Classic to the tennis fans of Newark, North Jersey and the metropolitan area, next year."

Matuszewski, the tournament's number-three seed, defeated 1990 runner-up, Phil Williamson, 7-6 (7-0), 4-6, 6-2, in the title match. Williamson, of Mount Vernon, New York, seeded fourth, earned \$2000 for second-place.

The former Clemson University star, now living in Lutz, Florida, upset top-seed and 1989 champ, Nduka Odior of Houston, Texas, in the semifinals (6-1, 3-6, 6-4) enroute to the Classic championship.

On the women's side, Ingram impressively attacked her opponent's backhand to beat the odds and defending champion, Lisa Jones of Brooklyn, 6-1, 6-0. Jones, the number-one seed, collected \$1000.

Both Ingram and Matuszewski were awarded beautiful trophies, in the shape of carved-stone eagles, from the Anheuser-Busch company of Newark.

The list of other divisional winners is as follows: Men's 35s Singles, John Christopher beat George Pay, 6-3, 6-0; Women's 35s Singles, Joy Pasalacqua defeated Donna Patton, 6-3, 6-2; Men's 45s Singles, Nestor Grammalia beat Gabor Szep, 6-1, 6-0; Men's 55s Singles, Roger King beat Hector Henry, 6-2, 6-1; Men's 60s Singles, Bill Birkenmeier beat Milton Clark, 6-3, 6-1; Boys' 10s Singles, Verdine Brown defeated Tim Jackson, 6-2, 6-2; Boys' 12s Singles, Igor Libo beat Joseph Clemente, 6-3, 6-0; Boys' 14s Singles, Douglass Root beat Justin Barrett, 6-2, 3-6, 6-1; Girls' 14s Singles, Alexander Silkovetsky defeated Yvette Ceska, 6-3, 7-5; Boys' 16s Singles, Brian Spigner defeated Arkady Tibbo, 2-6, 7-6 (7-4), 7-6 (7-2); Girls' 16s Singles, Cayce Cummins beat Jennifer Cornejo, 6-1, 6-3; Boys' 18s Singles, David Kurzwel won by default over Yoni Nweje; Girls' 18s Singles, Wendy Patterson defeated Cayce Cummins, 7-6 (7-4), 6-2; Men's Doubles Open, Young Min Kwon and Andrew Stoner won by default; Women's Doubles Open, Rayni Fox and Holly Danforth beat Tanya Evans and Jeri Ingram, 6-3, 6-1.

For further information about the tournament results or next year's James-D'Alessio Classic, please contact Bob Davis of the Newark Athletic/Tennis Program (201) 733-5440.



The Women's Singles Open winner of the Third Annual, "Mayor Sharpe James/Essex County D'Alessio, International Tennis Classic," Jeri Ingram of Silver Spring, Maryland, is presented with a \$2500 victory check by County Executive D'Alessio (far left) and Johnny Jones, Mayor's Aide and Essex County Chosen Freeholder (far right), representing Mayor James. Ingram, who beat former champ Lisa Jones of Brooklyn, 6-1, 6-0, is also congratulated by the president of the Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Chet Parivieschio, and presented with the "Eagle" award trophy from Aaron Halston, Anheuser-Busch special markets coordinator (center left). The company was one of the event sponsors.

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